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Fostoria (west)*

August 9, 1985

Dear Resident:

In our last letter to you, we reported that Floyd Browne Associates, Marion, Ohio, had been hired to conduct studies to determine the cost and engineering necessary to extend city water mains to your residential area. That study has been completed at a cost of nearly \$9,000. Funds for the study were provided by Allied Corporation, Fostoria Industries, Norton Manufacturing, Roppe Rubber Corporation and Union Carbide Corporation.

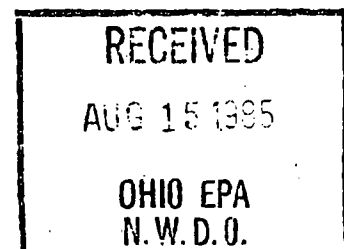
The next step, soliciting bids for the extension of city water mains to neighborhoods on North Union, Bittersweet and Walnut Streets, will begin immediately. Construction could begin as early as September 1, 1985, with a target date for completion of home hookups as early as December 1985. The four homes on North Union Street that are close to existing city water mains can be hooked up immediately.

The water mains extension project will include all of the following items:

- 0 All piping, valves, meters and construction of water main lines and installation of fire hydrants approximately every 400 feet.
- 0 Disconnection and capping of existing wells.
- 0 All piping, valves and meters to hook up city water to residences.
- 0 Reseeding of easements after construction phase (due to the winter months, this would probably be done in the spring of 1986).

The cost of this construction, including the hookup of city water to affected homes, will be paid in full by the industries listed above at a cost of approximately \$250,000.

The ad hoc committee member industries are participating in the project voluntarily as a community service. In fact, several have never used the types of substances found in the contaminated wells. Consequently, before construction can begin, each property owner must sign a release agreement (copy attached) to hold harmless the ad hoc committee member industries from any claims of property damage or costs related to the city water. In addition, each property owner must sign a license (copy attached) to permit water samples and water levels to be taken periodically from disconnected wells so that monitoring and sampling can be accomplished in the future. For your convenience, a self-addressed, stamped envelope is enclosed for return of the release and license; they must be returned by September 1, 1985.



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Neighborhoods on Countyline Street and Bachman Road, which were initially placed under the Water Advisory until the full extent of the contamination could be determined, probably will be removed from the Water Advisory area by the Seneca County Health Department. To date, tests of wells in those neighborhoods by the health department and Gleason Associates, a private consulting firm, have not detected any traces of contaminants. Wells will be randomly sampled every quarter to check for any changes in groundwater conditions.

As previously mentioned, we regret the inconvenience of the bottled water. With a little more patience and your cooperation, we can bring this phase of the Water Advisory to a conclusion. Many of the area industrial concerns including the above-listed companies are working with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency on the development of further studies of the contaminated area to determine remedial actions for cleaning the aquifer.

We realize that you may have specific questions regarding your particular situation or property and/or questions regarding the release and license. I will be available to answer your questions Wednesday, August 14, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. or Thursday, August 15, from 8:00 a.m. to 10 a.m. Please call 435-6688 and ask for extension 251. If I am on another call, my secretary will take your number and I or a member of my staff will return your call. If this is not convenient, please feel free to write me at the address on the letterhead of this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rex B. Anderson".

Rex B. Anderson  
Director-Employee Relations

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Attachments